New Norms for Disbursement of External Aids

3751. SHRI PASUMPON THA. KIRUTTINAN:

SHRI SURESH KALMADI:

Wll the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether new norms for routing and disbursement of external aid were affected on 1st April, 1993;

(b) if so, what are the details of the norms;

(c) how many loan agreements have been signed under new guidelines;

(d) whether it is a fact that the Public Sector Undertakings and the State Government have refusal to accept these guidelines;

(e) if so, what are the special reasons for the refusal; and

(f) what is the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. ABRAR AHMED): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir, The New norms for routing of external aid from multilateral and bilateral agencies to central PSU's were effected on 1st April, 1993. The details of new norms are as follows:

(i) All future borrowings from the multilateral/bilateral agencies by PSU's of the centre would be direct (without GOI intermediation) on the terms as agreed mutually between the borrower and the lender, and approved by Government of India.

(il) the borrowing should relate to approved projects.

(iii) Government of India guarantee would be given in respect of borrowing from multilateral agencies on payment of suitable guarantee fee.

(iv) the borrower will bear the exchange risk.

(c) Three loan agreements have been signed under the new guidelines.

(d) to (f) No, Sir. Does not arise.

Entertainment Expenditure by Dignitories

3752. SHRI VIDUTHALAI VIRUMBI:

SHRI PASUMPON THA. KIRUTTINAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that by and large the entertainment expenditure being incurred at the offices and residence of the dignitories in receipt of sumptuary allowance is being charged to the respective offices thereby having the sumptuary allowance as additional source of income only;

(b) whether Government has laid down any guidelines as to which type of entertainment expenditure is to be met from the Sumptuary allowance and which type to be charged to Government, if not, whether the same would be done now; and

(c) who are the dignitories both holding political offices and others who are in receipt of sumptuary allowance and the amount thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M. V. CHANDRASHEKHAR MURTHY): (a) to (c) The information is being ascertained from various Ministries/Departments and will be laid on the Table of the House as early as possible.

Promotions to SC/ST persons in GIC

3753. SHRI PRAKASH YASHWANT AMBEDKAR: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of enquiries to be conducted against development officers in General Insurance Company for not fulfilling the targets;

(b) what is the number of Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe Development